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SUBJ: DEATH OF US CITIZEN JOHNNIE LEE SMITH

REF: 7 FAM 444.9 AND 445.1-1, HAMBURG 1587, 1612 AND 1625

1. CONGEN PLANS TO ASK GERMAN COURT TO APPOINT A LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE TO LOOK AFTER PERSONAL ESTATE OF DECEASED. PLEASE COMMENT ON APPROPRIATENESS OF THIS COURSE OF ACTION.

2. DECEASED'S APARTMENT HAS BEEN SEALED BY CONSULAR OFFICER AND A NUMBER OF MOVEABLE ITEMS, VALUABLE TYPE THINGS SUCH AS CAMERA, TELEVISION AND PAPERS, REMOVED TO THE CONSULATE PREMISES FOR SAFEKEEPING AND FURTHER EXAMINATION.

3. IN VIEW OF MULTITUDE OF ITEMS, MAINLY KNICKKNACKS AND CLOTHING OF LITTLE APPARENT VALUE, TASK OF PHYSICALLY INVENTORYING EVERY ITEM WILL CONSUME AN INORDINATE AMOUNT OF TIME, PERHAPS RUNNING INTO WEEKS.

4. SINCE REGULATIONS DO NOT APPEAR CLEAR ON THIS POINT, PLEASE CONFIRM THAT IF AND WHEN A LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE IS APPOINTED BY THE GERMAN COURT (HOPEFULLY IMMEDIATELY UPON THE DEPTS REPLY TO THIS TELEGRAM) CAN WE ASSUME THAT THE CONGEN IS THEN RELIEVED OF THE RESPONSIBILITY TO COMPLETE AN INVENTORY OF THOSE ITEMS NOT PHYSICALLY IN OUR CUSTODY?

5. A REPLY BY OPENING OF BUSINESS MONDAY DECMEBER 16 WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED.BROGAN

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